



Mountaineering Article Award

The new Banff Mountain Book Competition Mountaineering Article Award is awarded to articles or short form essays with mountaineering, climbing or mountain adventure themes under 7,000 words. Publishers and editors of print publications are invited to submit articles of fiction, historical or non-fiction narratives. Individual authors are not permitted to submit entries for this competition. Scholastic, research or scientific articles will not be accepted. Articles must have been printed within the last two years to qualify for submission (articles published prior to 2014 are not eligible). Please email us for more information: banffmountainbooks@banffcentre.ca

FAQ's

What qualifies as a suitable submission?

- Articles with mountaineering themes from publications that have a wide general readership. Articles on climbing, alpinism, mountain adventure and backcountry skiing are suitable. Scholastic or scientific articles will not be accepted.
- Articles must be in the English language, but the competition is open to international publications.
- Articles must be from a print distribution publication or a digital version of a print article from the same publication. In an effort to manage the volume of submissions, self-published articles, or articles by independent bloggers, will not be accepted.

What is the submission process?

- Publishers or editors are invited to submit up to three entries annually on behalf of their publication. Authors may not submit work on their own. Works must be entered by the publisher or editor.
- Publishers are asked to send links or electronic files to the administrators at the Banff Mountain Book Competition.

Can the same author submit more than one article?

- All submissions must come through a publisher or editor of a print magazine, newspaper or journal. More than one article by the same author maybe accepted if it is entered by a publisher or editor from the same or alternate publication.

Who judges the articles?

- Articles received into competition are reviewed by a pre-screening committee who then develop a shortlist of finalists for the award.
- The shortlist of finalists will be reviewed by the Banff Mountain Book Competition's international jury who will determine a winner.

When is the award announced?

- The award is announced at the Banff Mountain Book Competition awards presentation during the annual Banff Mountain Film & Book Festival in Banff, Canada. This year's Festival dates are October 31 – November 8, 2015.
- The award winning author receives \$2000 (CAD) plus a handcrafted glass award.

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